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TAGS: OREP (MCGOVERN,GEORGE)

SUBJECT:CODEL MCGOVERN

REF: A. STATE 53471; B. STATE 53919 (NOTAL)

FROM MAESTRONE

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT OF CODEL MCGOVERN.
AMBASSADOR REPORTS FROM ASWAN THAT SECRETARY HAS
ALREADY SPOKEN TO PRESIDENT SADAT CONCERNING CODEL'S
TRIP AND PRESIDENT IS LOOKING FORWARD TO VISIT.
2. IN VIEW NEGOTIATIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN ASWAN,
TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING WITH PRESIDENT DEPENDENT UPON
STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS AT THAT TIME. IT SHOULD ALSO BE
POINTED OUT THAT IT IS USUALPROCEDURE OF PRESIDENCY TO
SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS WITH SADAT ONLY AFTER ARRIVAL OF
VISITOR IN COUNTRY.
3. BECAUSE SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS WITH OTHER EGHPTIAN
OFFICIALS WILL DEPEND TO SOME EXTENT ON MEETING WITH
PRESIDENT SADAT, EMBASSY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE
FIRM SCHEDULE UNTIL CLOSE TO TIME OF ARRIVAL.SUBJECT TO
CODEL'S WISHES, WE WOULD PLAN TO SET UP MEETINGS WITH
PRIMIN HGAZI, FONMIN FAHMY AND SPEAKER OF PEOPLE'S
ASSEMBLY SAID MAR'I, CLOSE CONIDANT OF PRESIDENT. ARAB

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FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING BEGINNING IN CAIRO

MAR 24MAY PRESENT OBSTACLE TO SCHEDULING OF APPOINTMENTS
WITH TOP EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS ON LAST DAY OF CODEL VISIT.
SUGGEST THAT SIGHTSEEING (VISIT TO PYRAMIDS) MIGHT
BE ARRANGED FOR THAT PERIOD.

4. HOTEL SITUATION IN CAIRO CONTINUES EXTREMELY TIGHT.
WHILE THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO VACANCIES AT HILTON OR
SHERATON AT THIS JUNCTURE, WE ARE IN CONTACT WITH MANAGEMENT
BOTH HOTELS, AS WELL AS WITH NEW FIRST-CLASS MERIDIEN HOTEL,
IN EFFORT TO ARRANGE ACCOMMODATIONS. WILL ADVISE PROMPTLY
WHEN ROOMS SECURED.

5. IN VIEW LIMITED EMBASSYMOTOR POOL (DEPLETED EVEN
FURTHER BY ASSIGNMENT OF VEHICLES TO ASWAN) PROPOSE
RENT CAR WITH DRIVER FOR CODEL AT APPROXIMATE COST
OF \$22 PER DAY. ADVISE.

6. CONTROL OFFICER IS POL/ECON COUNSELOR JOHN KORMANN.
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